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Situation

On Jan. 15, 2022, new regulations around the trucking industry required truckers crossing the U.S.-Canada border to be vaccinated. This has caused anger within the industry. A group called 'Canada Unity' has organized a large convoy of vehicles from across Canada to descend upon the nation's capital on Jan 29th with the goal of shutting down Parliament Hill until the restrictions are lifted.

Our estimated numbers of vehicles entering Ottawa are xxxxxx. These vehicles are made up of rigs, pickup truck, and other personal and commercial vehicles.

Mission

The Ottawa Police Service will work with other municipal, provincial, and federal agencies to ensure the safety of the participants and the public at large, minimize traffic disruptions and ensure the safe passage of emergency personnel throughout the City of Ottawa. Specifically, the main objectives for the event are:

- maintain public order and preserve the peace;
- remain neutral where possible and facilitate the building of trust between police, participants, and the community
- ensure the safety and security of the public and the emergency services personnel;
- minimize disruption for Ottawa residents, businesses and visitors;
- identify and assess threat and risk and develop contingency plans to mitigate where required;
- provide security commensurate to the threat level, and;
- enforce laws and investigate offences where warranted while respecting the democratic freedoms of thought, belief, opinion, expression and peaceful assembly.
- support the PPS and their mandate of ensuring the security of Parliament Hill
- minimize disruption and inconvenience for Ottawa residents, businesses and visitors;
- assist in the safe and orderly movement of pedestrians and vehicular traffic in the downtown core.

Execution & Concept of Operation

Although it is unknown how long this event will last, the OPS response will be broken down into a three-shift rotation as listed below to support the ingress of vehicles into Ottawa, the management of the event once vehicles have been parked and the egress of vehicles upon completion of the event. Traffic Support Services will facilitate the ingress and egress of vehicle into Ottawa by way of mobile and static positions.

The OPS response will follow the below rotation:

- Dayshift 0800 to 1600
- Afternoon 1500 to 2300
- Night shift to be staffed with reserve staffing

The event is broken down into three areas:

- Wellington Street corridor
- 24 Sussex (PM Residence)
- Confederation Park

Neighborhood Resource Teams (NRT) will be dedicated to each of the three areas. To support these teams, Quick Response Teams (QRT), Evidence Gathering Teams (EGT) and Police Liaison Teams (PLT) will be dispatched to assist where required.

The Emergency Services Unit (ESU) will be staged at 474 Elgin Street, and are available to deploy at the direction of the Incident Commander.

See Appendix X for assignments

Admin

The case number for this event is: 2022-175557

The overtime code is: 00000CONVOY

Officers are to wear their working uniform#2, traffic vests (or florescent green outer patrol jackets if required) along with their OPS issued toques

No Nylon/Gore-tex pants to be worn unless inclement weather and authorized by NCO

Nametags **MUST** be worn on the outer garment and plainly visible

To ensure police neutrality at all events, no ribbons, pins, wristbands or other items promoting awareness of any cause shall be worn by members assigned to work at these events

Current ITAC Threat Assessment in Canada is MEDIUM. **Members are to ensure they remain vigilante for suspicious activity and 'Lone Wolf' events. Need to add more tho this????**

Food, water, and breaks will be facilitated by the Logistical Team. Should you end up at a post for a lengthy period and/or require something, contact the Logistics Team.

Upon completion of this briefing, report to your assigned group for specific taskings if applicable. Transport to you assigned post will be done by cruiser, either assigned to you or shared as a group. Proceed to your post immediately, do not stop for a break along the way. Remain at your post until relieved, or at the direction of Site Command.

Command, Control and Communication

Incident Commander for the Event: Insp Russell Lucas (D)

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FLD Incident Commander: Insp Frank D'Aoust (D)

A/Insp Isabelle Lemieux (A)

Site Commander: Sgt Mark Nethercott, Sgt Sean Kay (D)

Sgt Thompson (A)

Logistics Team: XXXXXXXX

Operational Channel is: Special 3, which will be monitored by the Communication Centre (Officers logged on and off with Communications Centre by Logistics Team). RMS/CPIC queries can be conducted on this channel

Command Post Location: NCRCC